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HIGH DAM ON NILETwo Nations Offer to
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Grants in Move to
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Middle East.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP)—The United States and Britain have offered to help Egypt build the huge \$1,300,000,000 high Aswan dam project on the Nile river, it was announced today.

The State Department said the United States and Britain have assured Egypt they will support the project.

The two countries offered to grant Egypt an unspecified amount of money to help with the first stage of the work, which involves construction of a coffer dam, foundations for the main dam and auxiliary work.

\$70,000,000 to Start.

The Associated Press said the United States and Britain would give Egypt \$70,000,000 to begin construction of this, the United States would contribute \$56,000,000 and Britain \$14,000,000, it said.

In addition, the United States and Britain promised "to consider sympathetically" financial help for later stages of the dam project.

The program is designed in part to block Russia's drive for influence in the oil-rich Middle East. Russia recently offered to help build the dam, taking payment in Egyptian cotton.

Egypt said, however, that it would prefer to get Western help. Egyptian Finance Minister Abdel Moneim Kaisoun said here for some weeks seeking a commitment from the United States, Britain and the World Bank for financial help.

The State Department said the United States and Britain "assured the Egyptian government through Mr. Kaloussi that the support in this project."

The State Department announced it did not indicate how much money the United States and Britain plan to put up. Informed sources have said, however, they have agreed tentatively to supply Egypt with \$400,000,000 to \$450,000,000. About 75 per cent of the total would be provided by the United States.

Would Be Grants.

The State Department said the "assistance would take the form of grants from the United States and the United Kingdom toward defraying foreign exchange costs of the first stages of the work."

"Further," it said, "assurance has been given to Mr. Kaloussi that the governments of the United States and the United Kingdom would subject to legislative authority, be prepared to consider sympathetically in the light of then existing circumstances further support toward financing the later stages to supplement World Bank financing."

The bank has not made a firm commitment yet. But a State Department spokesman said that "is no reason to believe there won't be a World Bank loan." Informed sources said the bank is ready to supply about \$200,000,000.

The dam, which would take 10 to 15 years to build, would triple Egypt's cultivable land and provide power for urgently needed industrial expansion.

\$1.50 Total Loot in 3 Safes.
CAYCE, S. C., Dec. 17 (UP)—Safe-crackers cleaned out all the cash on hand at three business houses in one night, police reported. The thieves got a total of \$1.50.

Cloudy, Snow

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Partly cloudy and colder tonight; considerable cloudiness tomorrow with occasional snow; low temperature tomorrow morning, 15 to 20; high in afternoon, 30 to 35.

TEMPERATURES
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Normal maximum this date 43; normal minimum 28. Yesterday's high 31 at 3 p.m.; low 13. Rainfall this year, 32.5 inches. (All weather forecasts and temperatures supplied by Weather Bureau.) Missouri-Illinois forecasts and weather map, Page 24, Col. 1. Weather map, Page 58.

Sunset, 4:41 p.m.; sunrise tomorrow, 7:14 a.m. Stage of the Mississippi at St. Louis, -3.6 feet, a fall of 0.7, the Missouri at St. Charles, 6.8 feet, a rise of 0.2.

Tucker to Appeal to Aldermen
For Freeholder Bill's Passage

Measure Paving Way for New Charter
Comes Up Jan. 13—First Time It
Has Reached Floor.

Mayor Raymond R. Tucker will appear before the Board of Aldermen at its next meeting Jan. 13, to appeal in person for passage of his bill calling for election of a board of freeholders to consider drafting a new city charter.

The Mayor's bill, authorizing a special election next March 6 for selection of 13 charter freeholders, was reported to the Board of Aldermen yesterday, without recommendation, by the Aldermanic Legislation Committee.

At the same time, the legislation group also submitted a report in which it recommended enactment of a charter amendment which would remove thousands of city workers from the merit system, and throw their jobs back into the political patronage pot.

Tucker was highly pleased

KEFAUVER WILL
ENTER PRIMARY
IN WISCONSIN

Sources Say Senator
Perhaps Will Add
Florida to His Sched-
ule Also.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP)—Senators Estes Kefauver of Tennessee will soon add Wisconsin and perhaps Florida to his schedule of Democratic presidential primaries, informed sources said today.

Kefauver's entry in the Florida primary Jan. 20 would mean another clash with his rival for the presidential nomination, Adlai E. Stevenson. They already are committed to meet in the California primary June 5. Stevenson has announced plans also to enter primaries in Minnesota, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Florida.

The 1952 presidential candidate welcomed Kefauver to the race yesterday, saying "come on, in the water's fine." Kefauver said last night in a speech to Maryland Democratic leaders at Baltimore that he has "no desire to tear down" other Democratic presidential candidates.

Make No Commitment. The 100 Maryland Democratic leaders before whom Kefauver spoke made no commitment to him on their state's 18 votes at the convention. Baltimore Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, Democratic committeeman, told the gathering, "We want to cast our votes for the very best man whoever he may be."

Sources close to Kefauver predicted he will follow up yesterday's formal announcement of candidacy by quickly expanding his primary schedule. So far it includes only California and probably New Hampshire, the earliest primary in the nation.

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Peaceful Roll-Ball Bough. The council "noted with regret" that Russia at the Geneva foreign ministers' meeting had repudiated proposals for negotiating German unification

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**JET SHEARS AUTO
TOP IN ATTEMPT
TO LAND ON ROAD**

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Dec. 17 (AP)—An Air Force jet pilot attempted a forced landing on a highway here last night, shooting off the top of an automobile and landing his trainer on its nose in a nearby field.

The pilot, First Lt. Clyde Seile, was not injured. He was en route from Williams Air Force Base, Ariz., where he is stationed, to Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith of Twin Falls and their daughter, Nancy, 12, occupants of the car, were hospitalized for observation. Attendants said Mrs. Smith suffered shock but otherwise they were not believed to have been injured.

Seller said he came down to 8,000 feet and started looking for a landing spot after his radio and gyro-compass failed in the middle of a rainstorm.

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Best Way to Hound's Heart. HALF MOON BAY, Calif., Dec. 17 (UP)—Thad L. Graves complained to police yesterday that a burglar took 50 pounds of hamburger from his deep freeze and fed it to his kennel of wolfhounds to keep them quiet while he stole 75 packages from Graves' aviary.

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**Ragged Boy and Stray Dog
Find Each Other for Christmas**

SOUTH NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 17 (AP)—He was just a grimy little mixed-breed mutt—no license, no collar.

He sat shivering in the doorway of a busy store yesterday. His head turned as if on a swivel as he tried to attract attention from each passerby, begging to be carried into the warm store.

A small boy, whose clothes were nearly as shaggy as the dog's coat, had been standing in front of the gaily decorated

DULLES PLEDGES
U.S. SUPPORT OF
ATOMIC ENERGY
POOL IN EUROPE

He Feels Congress Prob-
ably Would Approve
Export of Fissionable
Matter to Unified
Program.

PARIS, Dec. 17 (AP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles today helped American support to a European nuclear energy pool, diplomatic informants reported.

The Secretary was said to have thrown America's weight behind a new drive for European union in a series of talks with leaders of a movement to pool European resources for the production of peaceful industrial power from nuclear plants.

Dulles, it was said, told them the United States Congress would most probably amend the nation's atomic energy act to permit the export of fissionable matter and secret know-how to a European pool, but would probably not allow such exports to individual countries.

Dangerous Byproducts. This was reported to be the message he gave West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano, one of the advocates of a nuclear energy pool. One objection to strictly national atomic programs is that industrial nuclear plants produce by-products of potential use in warfare which the French, for example, would not like to see in German hands.

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U.N. TURNS DOWN PLAN TO FILL COUNCIL SEAT BY SPLITTING TERM

Compromise Provided Yugoslavia Would Serve First Year and Philippines the Second.

By ALVIN H. GOLDSTEIN
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 17.—The United Nations General Assembly will resume efforts Monday to break the deadlock between the Philippines and Yugoslavia for election to the Security Council, after rebuffing a proposal to split the two-year term between the two countries on the basis of a draw of lots.

It was evident last night that many members of the 76-nation world organization were aroused when Assembly President Jose Maza announced that representatives of the rival candidates had met in his office and drawn lots after agreeing to share the non-permanent seat.

Yugoslavia won the draw, Maza said, but would resign after one year with the understanding that the Philippines would then be elected to complete the unexpired term. Maza assumed "all responsibility" for the arrangement and asked for Assembly approval with recognition that it did not constitute a precedent.

Turnout of Protest.

Only the United States, the United Kingdom and France expressed even mild approval of the proposition in the long parade of speakers who advanced to the rostrum. Finally, after a torrent of protests, one more ballot was taken.

Yugoslavia received 34 votes, three more than its high for the day in five previous ballots, the Philippines 19, Spain two, and Sweden, Yemen, Bulgaria and Italy one each, disclosing the stalemate still prevailed and neither candidate could attain the necessary two-thirds majority.

Maza then declared that the candidates were relieved of the terms of the lot drawing agreement, which some delegates described after the session as "cynical" and "shabby." Milder terms were used during the 90-minute discussion, with most speakers paying tribute to the intentions of the assembly president, but voicing unreserved criticism of the strange arrangement.

First in line was Vasily V. Kuznetsov who declared Russia thought the procedure "was not a normal one" and violated established rules. He declared it "disturbed the balance" of the geographical distribution of membership in the 11-nation council. Many U.N. members agree that eastern Europe is entitled to a seat in the council, a point disputed by the United States.

Australia Objects.

Australia and New Zealand followed Kuznetsov to the rostrum, each declaring they would not accept the implied commitment to vote next year for an alternate candidate for a place in the security council, charged with the preservation of world peace and security.

Mexico and Turkey also voiced doubts as to the "constitutional and practical aspects" of the straw-drawing deal and declined to pledge next year's vote for the Philippines or any other candidate. Brazil, Colombia and Argentina expressed like sentiments. Uruguay and Paraguay agreed that the "bilateral agreement" between Yugoslavia and the Philippines was not binding on any other nation.

Herb Alphonse of France was the first to say a kind word for the curious compromise. Without great enthusiasm he called it "probably the only practical solution" and said he was prepared to recommend its acceptance to his government. He specifically withheld, however, any pledge to vote for the Philippines at the next General Assembly.

Cuba, Ecuador and Guatemala took the floor to make the same reservation. They felt Maza had not offered the proper solution to the problem. Sir Pierson Dixon, however, said Britain agreed the "procedure was not normal," but he argued that the situation was not normal and needed an abnormal remedy.

The United States has stubbornly backed the Philippines. The Soviet Union with British support, backed Yugoslavia. Each group has declared it would not compromise on another candidate so long as the two rivals were in the field. Allies suggested have included Sweden, Greece, Italy, Finland, and in some quarters, Austria.

Dixon said he was taking a position favorable to the election of the Philippines next year because of the "very special circumstances" existing. He saw nothing wrong in voting to accept the lot-drawing arrangement "in the best of faith and a high sense of responsibility."

India would not alter its stand that members of the council should be chosen with an eye to geographic distribution. V. K. Krishna Menon said he had no authority, however, to commit his government on the vote next year, he added.

Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. said the United States did not think anything "was being asked to do anything unconstitutional" by endorsing the lot-drawing plan. It was a question, he said, of "fair play" with "no legalistic commitment involved."

Smiling Opponents at U.N.



LEO MATES (left) of Yugoslavia and CARLOS P. ROMULO of the Philippines in friendly encounter last night after Security Council failed to effect a compromise which would have ended the deadlock on the seating of either Yugoslavia or the Philippines on the council.

MENDERES WINS TEST VOTE ON NEW CABINET, ECONOMY

ANKARA, Dec. 17 (AP)—Supporters of Premier Menderes beat down strong opposition attacks in Parliament last night to win a 308-to-58 confidenc vote on his new cabinet and economic policies.

Menderes' previous cabinet resigned two weeks ago because of the country's economic situation. The present cabinet is the fourth his five years in power.

Ismet Inonu, former President of the opposition People's Republican party, led the attack on the government. He said "inflation has virtually ruined our financial position." Inonu pledged support for "any serious and efficient effort the government might make to insure economic recovery."

The former President also accused Menderes of muzzling the Turkish press and failing to give full reports on the Greek riots in Istanbul and Izmir on Sept. 6. He criticized martial law that has prevailed since the riots.

In reply, Menderes said some of the economic difficulties were due to his government's failure to submit to Congress a set of amendments proposed by labor to the so-called copper workers statute.

The proposed amendments would give labor a larger share of the companies' profits resulting from higher world copper prices, as well as a bonus for increased production.

NEW NATO FORCE TO TEAM U.S. AND ITALIAN PLANES

ROME, Dec. 17 (AP)—A new Allied air force teaming American and Italian jets will be created in north Italy.

Its main mission will be to work with the pioneering South European Task Force, the new 5500-man all-American force with an atomic potential.

The council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization approved creation of a Fifth Allied Tactical Air Force in Paris Thursday. It kept all details secret.

However, from authoritative sources here it was learned that plans for the new air force call for a partnership of the Italian 56th tactical air force, headquartered at Vicenza, and a wing of United States Air Force F-86 Sabre jets to be sent to northeast Italy from the United States.

Headquarters would be in the Vicenza area, where S.A.F.'s troops are centered.

It is understood that the likely choice for commander-in-chief is Lt. Gen. Sergio La Latta, former deputy air commander of Allied Air Forces, Southern Europe, and one of Italy's most promising generals.

RUSSIA REPORTED INVITING EX-CITIZENS TO VISIT KIN

MOSCOW, Dec. 17 (AP)—A New York tourist agent said yesterday the Soviet Union is encouraging Russian-born citizens of the United States with relatives in the U.S.S.R. to come and visit them without fear.

Gabriel Reiner, president of the Cosmos Travel Bureau Inc., said in an interview he had been assured every effort would be made to facilitate the reunion of families separated many years.

The points of contact will be limited to 11 cities now open to tourists, he said, "but Soviet authorities would have no objection if Russians living outside these areas met their relatives in the cities named." The cities on the list are Moscow, Leningrad, Minsk, Kharkov, Stalingrad, Kiev, Odessa, Yalta, Sochi, Tbilisi and Sukhumi in the Caucasus.

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OPEN MONDAY NIGHT 'Til 8:30 P.M.

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NEW CABINET VAST PERONISTA PLOT REPORTED FOILED, 500 HELD

Statement to Be Issued on British Talks Concerning Bagdad Pact.

AMMAN, Dec. 17 (AP)—Jordan's new government held its first meeting under Prime Minister Hazzaz Majali today. An official spokesman said it reviewed general home and foreign policy.

The spokesman said an official declaration would be issued soon clarifying the new government's policy toward the talks with Britain aimed at getting Jordan to affiliate with the Bagdad defense pact—which were interrupted by the resignation of Said Al-Mutti's government earlier this week.

The situation in Amman was normal today after a limited strike yesterday. The spokesman categorically denied reports from Damascus about alleged rioting. He said there was a minor demonstration by students, who were dispersed without any casualties.

Reports from Damascus and Beirut earlier said 40 persons were killed or wounded in clashes with the Arab Legion yesterday. The reports sparked sympathy demonstrations in Damascus. Students marched through the streets shouting slogans against the Bagdad pact and mobbed the Jordan legation.

Military commanders took over control at Chukucamata, world's largest open pit copper mine, as well as at Porterillo and El Teniente mines. The first two are operated by local subsidiaries of the Anaconda Copper Co. and the third by the Kennecott Copper Co.

An executive empowered the Defense Ministry to take any measures necessary to resume operation of the mines, including drafting the strikers into the army or hiring new workers.

Management of both companies said there was no direct dispute between them and the workers, but between the government and the workers.

They said the walkout was ordered over the government's failure to submit to Congress a set of amendments proposed by labor to the so-called copper workers statute.

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LATTIMORE OWNS STOCK IN COMPANY BARRING HIM HALL

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 17 (UP)—Owen Lattimore, denied permission last night to speak in an auditorium owned by the Phoenix Fire Insurance Co., disclosed later that he is a stockholder in the company.

Lattimore instead made his speech to the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in the parish house of the First Methodist Church. About 600 persons attended.

The former State Department Far Eastern affairs expert first was granted permission to use the auditorium by the Phoenix company but later the firm rejected because of numerous complaints it received from undisclosed sources.

Lattimore told the gathering that "in my own modest way, I'm a shareholder in the company." He did not say how many shares he owned.

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MOTHER DEFENDS SON WHO HIT HER, JUDGE UNMOVED

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Example of a mother's love: Her 24-year-old son punched her in the face and split her lip but she went to bat for him in court.

The son, John Foley, appeared yesterday before Magistrate Louis Kaplan, charged with assault in the beating on Thursday of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Foley.

These officials stated that any Congressmen who got the impression the new foreign aid appropriations request was about \$700,000,000 from last year's requests despite vigorous Administration protest.

Move to Recoup Funds.

They said the bigger military aid request is partly an effort to recoup these funds, plus a move to maintain appropriations at the higher level that they feel should have been approved by Congress this year.

Some of the added money, they continued, is needed to replace weapons previously provided Allies by the United States as long ago as 1950.

Some of this armament was purchased from the U.S. and now becoming obsolete or as need of expensive spare parts.

The new program was described as partly designed to meet increasing Russian pressure. But the bulk of it, informants said, represents normal long-term planning aimed at continuing existing economic, military and technical aid projects.

Even the main increase—that for military aid—is a move that should have been expected along, they said, since Congress last year's requests despite vigorous Administration protest.

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Russians Support Afghanistan On Demand for New State

Kabul Wants to Carve Out Separate Region on Pakistan Border Where 5,000,000 Tribesmen Live.

By EUGENE LEVIN

KABUL, Afghanistan, Dec. 17 (AP)—Russia's touring leaders made a major bid last night to win over Afghanistan.

Soviet Premier Bulganin, addressing a state banquet, expressed sympathy for Kabul's demand that a new nation—Pushتوonistan—be carved out of the Pakistan border area with 5,000,000 Pathan tribesmen.

After the dinner, Bulganin and his traveling companion, Nikita Khrushchev, mixed with the guests at a reception. Veteran observers here said they had never seen Afghan Premier Sardar Mohammad Daud so happy. It was certain Bulganin had done the one thing the Afghans wanted him to do most.

No English version of Bulganin's remarks was available. But most of those attending, including diplomats and Daud himself, quoted Bulganin as saying:

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Afghanistan Demand.

For years Afghanistan has been demanding that all of west Pakistan between the Indus river and the Iranian-Afghan border be made into a separate state. No nation has seemed to take the demand seriously. For a long time Pakistan ignored the demand, taking the stand that the Pathan tribal area was its own internal

"Pushtoonistan" became a major issue last spring, however, when a series of incidents between Pakistan and Afghanistan resulted in Karachi's virtually blocking the transit of goods through the Khyber pass to Afghanistan. This is the landlocked Afghanistan's shortest and cheapest route to import gasoline, cloth and other necessary supplies.

The stretch from the Indus river to the border of Iran

SUIT FILED TO BLOCK ILLINOIS TOLL ROAD

Charges Underwriters Have Dual Role of Advisers and Bidders.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—A Belvidere farmer has sued to prevent completion of a contract for the sale of \$415,000 in Illinois toll road bonds.

The action was started in circuit court late Thursday by Harold M. Quincer, whose 180-acre farm is scheduled to be diagonally traversed by one route of the proposed highway system.

In his suit against the Illinois Toll Highway Commission, two underwriters turned to the Soviet Union for friendship. For generations Afghans have been interested in repelling encroachments by their big neighbor to the north over their shadowy frontier.

But at the stage Russia was available. But most of those attending, including diplomats and Daud himself, quoted Bulganin as saying:

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TUCKER AND KRIZ TO PLAN ACTION ON CRITICAL CITY TRAFFIC REPORT

Meeting Arranged Next Week—Board Overrides Veto on Emily-DeSoto Stop Sign, 29 to 0.

Mayor Raymond R. Tucker and Frank Kriz, director of streets and sewers, will meet early next week to discuss what action should be taken on an aldermanic committee report severely criticizing traffic control in St. Louis.

The report, presented to the Board of Aldermen yesterday by its traffic committee, asserted that "the office of traffic commissioner has not been and is not now competently administered or staffed." It called for immediate steps to "strengthen that office so that it may render efficient service."

Mayor Tucker and Kriz both declined to comment on the report today, explaining that they had not studied it yet. Traffic Commissioner Charles G. Gonter likewise refused to make any public statement, declaring that any comment should come from his department head. The traffic division is in the department of streets and sewers, and policy decisions are made by Kriz, Gonter's superior.

Gonter, an outspoken engineer who has no taste for playing politics, has clashed repeatedly with members of the Board of Aldermen on installation of new stop signs and other traffic control measures. The traffic commissioner has fought for preservation of the master traffic control plan, but time and again has been overruled by the aldermen, who passed amendments modifying the master plan.

Veto Overridden.

The latest clash involved a stop sign at Emily and DeSoto avenues. Gonter concluded that the stop was not needed and recommended that the Mayor veto an ordinance calling for installation. After receiving the committee report attacking Gonter, the Board of Aldermen yesterday overrode the Mayor's veto, 29 to 0.

There are a number of schools in the general vicinity of the Emily-DeSoto intersection, the traffic committee pointed out. It insisted that the stop was justified, and that the traffic commissioner's office had made its adverse recommendation following an inadequate study.

The committee recommended that Kriz and Personnel Director R. Elliott Searcher analyze the qualifications of the traffic division staff and take measures to improve the office.

The committee also recommended that Kriz investigate immediately the cost and time involved in having a competent engineering firm make a thorough study of traffic and traffic control needs here. The survey would include the need for and location of every stop sign in the city.

A bill introduced yesterday would bar parking during morning and evening rush hours on the side of the heavier traffic flow of seven streets at the south end of the Third Street Interregional Highway. Its purpose is to expedite traffic on these feeder streets near their intersection with the expressway.

Members of the traffic committee are A. J. Cervantes, chairman; Joseph F. Kavanaugh, Gassel, Wayman F. Smith Jr., A. Barney Mueller, William K. Gardner and William A. Stolar. Board President Donald Gunn joined them in signing the report.

Missouri-Illinois Forecasts

MISSOURI: Considerable cloudiness tonight and tomorrow, with snow beginning in northwest and extreme north tonight and spreading over north and west central tomorrow; scattered light showers likely in southeast late tonight or tomorrow; warmer in south and east central tonight; turning colder in northwest late tonight and over west and north tomorrow; low tonight from 10 to 20 in extreme northwest to 30s in extreme southeast; high tomorrow from 20s in northwest to 40s in southeast.

ILLINOIS: Cloudy with light snow spreading over north tonight; partly cloudy in south; mostly cloudy with occasional snow in north tomorrow and probably in central portion; continued cold; low tonight from 15 in north to 20 in south; high tomorrow from 20 to 25 in northwest to around 40 in extreme southeast.

Weather in Other Cities
(Observations for high at 6:30 a.m. for previous 24 hours; low for previous 12 hours)

High. Low. Rain.

	High.	Low.	Rain.
Atlanta	39	23	...
Bismarck, N.D.	32	22	...
Boston	32	22	...
Brownsville, Tex.	67	49	...
Chicago	35	23	...
Cincinnati	23	19	...
Columbia, Mo.	33	23	...
Denton	30	23	...
Detroit	27	19	...
El Paso	64	43	...
Fort Worth	49	34	...
Kansas City	40	27	...
Littlerock, Ark.	50	25	...
Los Angeles	55	50	...
Memphis	37	23	...
Minneapolis	38	28	...
New Orleans	42	32	...
New York	28	21	...
Oklahoma City	48	21	...
Philadelphia	41	31	...
Phoenix, Ariz.	69	39	...
Pittsburgh	22	12	...
Portland, Me.	29	18	...
St. Louis City	31	26	...
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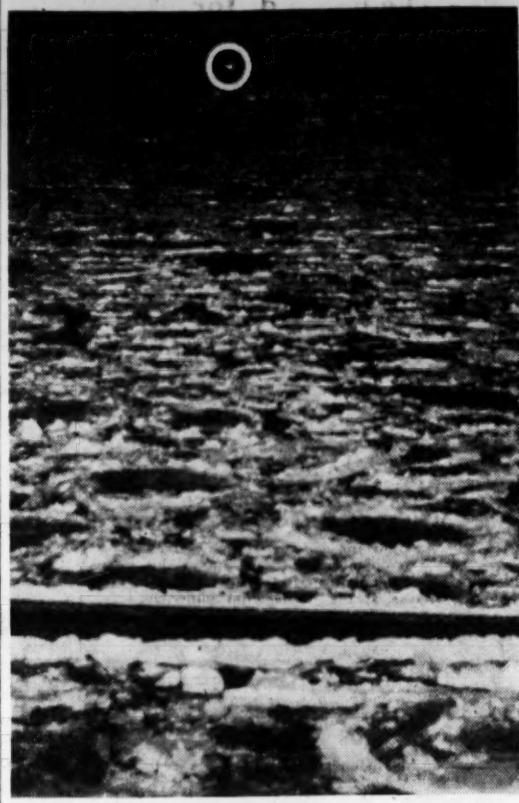
ELECTED BY MEDICAL UNIT

Dr. Emmett B. Drescher, 8429 Stanford avenue, University City, was elected vice president of the St. Louis County Medical Society Wednesday night.

A list of newly elected officers released by the society and printed in Thursday's editions of the Post-Dispatch, incorrectly said Dr. C. T. Shepherd, a candidate for the same office, had been elected.

Boiler in Reich Explodes.
FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 17 (UPI)—A boiler used for heating the United States State Department housing project here exploded yesterday, killing one German worker and injuring five others seriously.

New Kind of Jam for Stranded Bus Drivers



Gleam of light (circled) from stranded duck hunters' bonfire as it looked last night from Missouri side of Mississippi river, a mile north of Chain of Rocks bridge. Sandbar on which hunters were marooned is about 500 feet out in ice-flecked river.

Duck Hunters, Marooned by Ice In River for 7 Hours, Rescued

Coast Guard Picks Up Pair From Sandbar—Decoys and Part of Blind Used as Firewood.

Two St. Louis duck hunters were rescued by the Coast Guard late last night from a Mississippi river sandbar a mile north of Chain of Rocks bridge. They had been marooned by ice floes, in sub-freezing weather, for seven hours.

The hunters, Clifford C. Collins, 401A South Broadway, and Leonard G. Maloy, 3918 Pennsylvania avenue, both bus drivers, built a bonfire for warmth after finding they could not get ashore in their small outboard motorboat.

They used their decoys, part of the duck blind and driftwood to keep the fire going. After dark, Patrolman Charles Adams of St. Louis county police helped them find more fuel by shining his patrol car's spotlight on the sandbar, which is 500 feet from the Missouri side.

The rescue craft, a steel-hulled 36-foot Higgins boat, left the Coast Guard depot at the foot of Iron street about 6 p.m. and had heavy going on its 25-mile trip up the ice-filled river. It took the hunters aboard at 11:15 p.m.

Collins, 31 years old, and Maloy, 41, maintained good humor throughout their ordeal even though the only duck they had shot during the day could not be retrieved. They were still cheerful when put ashore shortly before midnight at the

MRS. AMERICA' OF 1954 FILES DIVORCE SUIT

Mrs. Wanda Jennings of Bellefontaine Neighbors, "Mrs. America" of 1954, filed suit for divorce today in circuit court at Clayton.

She alleged general indignities. Her husband, Madison M. Jennings, she had refused to accompany him to any public function or place unless she paid the bill.

Mrs. Jennings, 29 years old, did not ask in her suit for alimony, but requested custody of a 10-year-old son, Michael, money for his support, and expenses of the divorce action. She said she and her husband were married Feb. 24, 1945, and separated last Dec. 4. She lives at 10123 Tappan drive. He is an engineer.

SAWED WINDOW BAR FOUND IN WORKHOUSE

An iron window bar which had been sawed through in one place was discovered yesterday by City Workhouse guards in a routine check on the second floor of the old Workhouse building, Warden Harold E. Baynes said.

Baynes said two files, of the type used by inmates in the institution's workshops, were discovered at the cell occupied by four prisoners. None of the men has admitted taking the files or sawing the bar, he said.

Each speaker is individually controlled so that the doctor can regulate the volume of sound or turn it off. So far, no one has stopped the music.

HOSPITAL USING MUSIC TO SOOTHE IN OPERATIONS

Music has been added to the list of surgical techniques at St. Joseph Hospital in Kirkwood for its soothing influence on both patients and the hospital staff in operations.

All four of the operating rooms have been equipped with speakers for the playing of classical compositions and musical comedy favorites to ease tensions of patients and surgeons.

WASHINGTON U. ELECTS TWO TO ITS CORPORATION

David R. Calhoun Jr., president of St. Louis Union Trust Co. and Webb Kammerer, president of Midvale Mining and Manufacturing Co., have been elected to the corporation of Washington University, it was announced yesterday.

In addition, Eugene R. Kropf, vice president of Union Electric Co. of Missouri, and Ralph D'Onch, president of a real estate firm bearing his name, were named to one-year terms as alumni members of the board of directors. Their addition to the board increased the number of alumni members, representing the recently organized Washington University Alumni Federation, to six.

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Two from the group were promoted. Sgt. W. L. Hutchings will become lieutenant in charge of enforcement. Trooper W. A. Dolan will be promoted to sergeant.

Lt. W. S. Barton was named supervisor of special service activities.



LEONARD G. MALOY (left) and CLIFFORD COLLINS step off United States Coast Guard rescue boat to dock of St. Louis Boating Association, 10200 Riverview drive. They were marooned on sandbar for seven hours.

RESTAURANT RAZED BY MAPLEWOOD FIRE

Flames Destroy Tulip Box on Big Bend—Damage Set at \$50,000.

Fire early today destroyed the Tulip Box restaurant, Greenwood avenue and Big Bend road, Maplewood, causing damage estimated at \$50,000.

The damage estimate was made by Capt. Harold Deeming of the Maplewood Fire Department. Six other county fire departments participated in bringing the fire under control. It was extinguished at 3 a.m. after four hours of effort.

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CURTIS NOT TO RUN FOR GOVERNORSHIP

Cites Lack of G.O.P. Unity—To Seek Re-election to Congress.

United States Representative Thomas B. Curtis of Webster Groves said last night he has decided against running for the Republican nomination for Governor next year, because chances for G.O.P. party unity in Missouri do not appear bright.

Instead, Curtis announced that he will seek re-election to Congress in 1956. He is now serving his third consecutive term in Congress, representing the new Second Congressional District covering six South St. Louis wards and nine St. Louis county townships.

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5 LOSE LIVES DURING NIGHT IN AUTO ACCIDENTS

Four of Victims Are Pedestrians—Woman Killed When Car Turns Over.

Five persons, including a 10-year-old boy, were killed in separate automobile accidents in the St. Louis area last night and early today. Three other persons were seriously injured. They were:

Richard Horn, 10 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Horn, 157 West Velma avenue, Lemay.

Mrs. Ruth Irene Ash, 30, 289 Bender avenue, Rosewood Heights, north of Wood River.

Stanley Cavasher, 18, Forest Homes, near Belthito, Ewell Andrews, 17, Forrest Homes.

Charles C. Babbs, 67, 137 St. Clair avenue, East St. Louis, killed in East St. Louis, by a car whose driver did not stop.

The Horn Boy was said to have been running in Clyde avenue, near West Felton avenue, Lemay. He told St. Louis county police he did not see the running boy until the machine was only a few feet from him.

Mr. and Mrs. Horn said their son had gone on an errand to a grocery. Impact of the car threw him 20 feet into a ditch on the side of the road.

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Did Not See Boy.

The driver of the car, a taxicab, said he was Herbert J. Holweg, 200 block of West Loretta avenue, Lemay. He told St. Louis county police he did not see the running boy until the machine was only a few feet from him.

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Two Struck on Road.

Cavasher and Andrews were hit by an automobile last night as they were walking in Fosterburg road, a rural road about five miles northeast of Alton.

The driver, who said he was Homer D. Gollie, of the Fosterburg area, said he was temporarily blinded by the lights of an oncoming car. The young men apparently were returning to their homes after visiting friends at Fosterburg, authorities said. Cavasher lived with his father, Harrel C. Cavasher, and Andrews with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Andrews.

Babb's was hit early today at First street and St. Clair avenue, East St. Louis, by an automobile which continued west in St. Clair at high speed, a witness told police. Babb was carried 75 yards on the front of the 1950-model machine, the witness said.

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I know that my retirement will make no difference in its cardinal principles; that it will always fight for progress and reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always fight demagogues of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare; never be satisfied with merely printing news; always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER.
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Saturday, December 17, 1955

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Name and address must accompany every letter, but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 200 words will receive preference.

The Farm Bureau's Line

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
At the start of this Administration, Secretary of Agriculture Benson, whom many believe to be the mouthpiece of Milton Eisenhower, demonstrated the fact that there were so many little inefficient farmers.

At once the American Farm Bureau Federation chimed in on the same tune and has since shed oceans of salty tears over the severe pinch of the small farmers.

It is no secret that the A.F.B.F. is made up largely of farmers who own, manage, or operate 500 to 5000 or more acres of land and who are constantly on the lookout for some hardship case so they can grab off more land. These farmers are mostly well-educated men who have thoroughly learned the lesson big business has taught them of squeezing out the little man and taking over.

In view of this, is it any mystery why A.F.B.F. continues to prattle the party line about flexible support prices to farmers?

The A.F.B.F. is no more representative of agriculture than is Milton Eisenhower, and here lies your true answer why a new voice of farmers has sprung up and is growing by leaps and bounds.

The party that wins the farm vote in the next presidential election will be that party which can best feel out the sentiments of these same small farmers.

T. D. HAM.
Campbell, Mo.

Watchdogs of Monopoly

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
I read with much disgust the latest resolution adopted by the American Medical Association.

They are very much concerned that voluntary health organizations or Government agencies will distribute the "Salk vaccine" at no charge. They call this a violation of free enterprise.

There should be a growing awareness that such high sounding phrases as "Watchdogs of American Health" are fraudulent, and that the proposed action does not stem from high-minded principles but more from a desire to maintain a highly lucrative monopoly.

When you consider that all work done in this field has been financed by contributions from the general public, the A.M.A. position seems incongruous.

The resolution actually means this: That Joe Doakes, M.D., would stand to lose (1) profit on the vaccine (over and above his cost) and (2) an office fee of \$3-\$4-\$5 (to inject the above vaccine).

It may come as a shock to some who so blindly trust all that emanates from the fountainhead, but this resolution is merely a reaffirmation of their pre-existing monopolistic attitudes.

E. N. PHILIPPI.

A Macedonian Cry

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
On your Dec. 10 editorial page the leading editorial was headed: "A Macedonian Cry!" I am Macedonian and am at loss to know what a Macedonian cry is. The Macedonians have been crying for a long time from oppression, but from that what else can a Macedonian cry mean?

ALEX G. MARKULY.

After the Tavern Closes

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
The following took place across the street from where I work. The time is midnight, the place a tavern. About eight or nine men leave the tavern shouting and cursing and on a vacant lot start to fight. The tavern owner being a smart business man turns his lights out and locks the door. (I suppose this is done to save his license to issue the police a call for help.)

After the fight, these drunk stumble and I do mean stumble in their ears and race down the streets of St. Louis. Why? Because in this great state and city of our drunks can drive knowing that if they get arrested it means only a small fine.

MODERATION.

Building for St. Louis

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
You have probably seen pictures of the new Prudential building in Chicago.

Wouldn't it have looked nice at Eighth and Olive in place of the old Federal Building which should be torn down? It will pay a million dollars a year in taxes, and there will be 2000 employees for the insurance company alone.

I don't think St. Louis is trying hard enough to get new companies, to advertise the city, to get enough tourists. The Prudential did not have to build in Chicago; they simply wanted another office away from the East. They also put a large building in Houston.

St. Louis ought to go after the Metropolitan and John Hancock companies. They have no large buildings away from the East.

BOOSTER.

Now for Charter Action

Mayor Tucker's city charter ordinance finally has been reported to the Aldermen by their Legislation Committee. It was submitted without recommendation, but with several arguments against adoption. The committee also offered 10 amendments to the present charter as part of a revision program which—only Republican Fred W. Haag of the Twelfth Ward dissenting—prefers to the drafting of a new charter. And the pro-charter element was further set back when Board President Donald Gunn ruled immediate consideration of the ordinance out of order.

Yet these developments must be regarded as progress—of a sort. Never before has a Tucker-supported charter proposal been brought to the floor by the committee. There is now a chance for a vote. But since the Aldermen are not to meet again until Jan. 13, there is little time to be lost if the election of charter freeholders is to be held on March 6 as planned. The filing deadline for candidates would come a month earlier. And selection of a slate, and its introduction to the voters should not be unduly rushed.

The selection of freeholders really ought to be a foregone conclusion since an improved charter is as important to the city's progress as is its physical rehabilitation. This is the one way every section of the present charter can be re-examined, necessary additions made, and the voters given the opportunity to pass on an integrated document.

The old charter is so far out of date that amendments, each of which would have to be approved or rejected separately, would result in a confusing mess of patches. The aldermanic committee actually has made the best case against this process. In recommending no less than 10 amendments, its chairman, Alderman Anton Niemeyer, admitted that even more would be needed. Nobody knows how long it would take the Aldermen to consider so long a series of amendments, or whether the most essential changes actually would be proposed to the voters.

Further, the amendment process would almost surely bring forth a spate of personal and political schemes. Alderman Niemeyer's committee proved this too by making its No. 1 change the removal of perhaps several thousand city employees from the civil service merit system. Among the jobs which they would turn into patronage plums are those of elevator operators, laundry workers, watchmen, laborers, park attendants, custodial help, window washers, utility men and those of various hospital and institutional employees.

That kind of charter revision would be a major setback for good municipal housekeeping. It is all too clear, however, that it is the price which a majority of the Aldermen would try to exact for desirable administrative changes, and for the enlargement of the city's powers so that it might, for example, build off-street parking facilities without having to seek the Legislature's permission.

It is highly doubtful that a board of freeholders would dare to submit such an outrageous proposition. Even if this were done, the voters could kill it with one scratch on the ballot. There is every reason to believe, however, that if charter revision is entrusted to freeholders, one mark on the ballot would give St. Louis a modernized government.

How can the Aldermen deny this opportunity to the voters without inviting repudiation when up for re-election? Surely they do not believe they can take a public-be-damned attitude because the voters do not know what it is all about.

The decision is still to be made. And we hope that because the Aldermen themselves are devoted to the advancement of their city, the decision will be the right one, a vote for genuine charter reform.

Missouri's Medieval Aspect

The Nevada Prison Board's decision to abandon its dungeons as inhumane suggests that Missouri ought to consider action along the same lines. We refer specifically to "O Hall" at the Missouri Penitentiary. The inmates know it as the "hole." For many a man it has been a chamber of horrors.

O Hall's 18 tiny cells are used for punishment. Men are penned in them like dogs up to 30 days. There are no toilet facilities (the state provides discarded paint cans), no running water, no light, no bedding and, when four men are jammed into one of the cells, hardly enough space to breathe. At the time of last year's riots men in O Hall got only one regular meal every four days, existing the rest of the time on bread and water.

Gov. Donnelly or Director Carter of the Department of Corrections could put an end to O Hall easily enough, and they certainly should.

Will France Vote in Vain?

The Jan. 2 elections—made necessary when repudiated Premier Faure dissolved parliament—do not hold too much promise of stabilizing French politics. The reason is that the elections will be held under the 1951 law which permits voting for inter-party lists instead of individual candidates, and on a winner-take-all basis.

The law was devised to protect the in-between parties against the Communists and the Gaullists, then the two top vote-winning organizations. Since the extreme Left and Right could hardly make common cause, it was possible for the Radical Socialists, Socialists, M.R.P., Independent Republicans, Peasants and similar groups to present common slates. If these won a majority of the votes in a department, they were awarded its parliamentary seats.

Unfortunately, some of these groups often saw eye-to-eye only on winning an election. Once in parliament, they found it difficult to form a government acceptable to all. The arrangement also precluded formation of a loyal opposition such as is the rule in Great Britain and the United States. Votes against the government on almost any issue simply would play into the hands of the extremists who, by adding their votes to those of the loyal critics, could topple the government. Thus the Socialists found that the most they could do was to abstain from voting—and that not always.

Yet as in any nation there were inevitable differences on the budget, defense policy and other issues which should have been resolved by a responsible vote. But all too often it was a matter of going along with a premier whose party had only a relatively small parliamentary representation, or overthrowing him.

That is why former Premier Mendes-France and others sought electoral reforms prior to the next national elections which normally would

have been held early in the summer. Their basic objective was the election of individual candidates instead of slates based on artificial majorities.

Should these elements win next month, they might form a government which would make electoral reforms and political stability its first objective. Yet even though Mendes-France seems to be by far the most popular candidate, it is difficult to evaluate their chances—especially since the large bloc of Communist votes might be cast against a more stable order.

Second in the Race

Senator Kefauver's entry in the Democratic presidential race is no more surprising than was Adlai Stevenson's. It ought to be equally welcome. For regardless of one's preference between the two candidates, it is basically a healthy thing for the preference primaries to be vigorously contested.

True, these primaries are seldom decisive. Senator Kefauver won 15 of them in 1952, and never came really close to winning the nomination. Yet they serve a useful purpose. They enable the candidates to test their vote-getting appeal for a national audience, and they enable the voters to learn what kind of campaign each candidate is capable of waging. And sometimes they sharpen the focus on national issues that need discussion.

Senator Kefauver enters the race, as he himself tacitly acknowledges, as a decided underdog. But politicians have capitalized on being the underdog before, and the opportunity to do so is open to the Tennessean now. His big task will be to persuade Democratic voters that he has the stature, the breadth of vision and insight, of Gov. Stevenson.

Waving a coonskin cap is in the amiable tradition of campaign decoration, just like holding up a brace of dead ducks or hauling in a sailnip, but the voters also expect something more. The Senator will be judged not only on his pleasant personality, but on how he approaches the issues of 1956.

So far, the Senator has decided to enter primaries only in New Hampshire, where he will probably be running against himself, and in California, where he will have direct competition from Gov. Stevenson. It is to be hoped that he will enter others, and that in some at least there will be the same kind of clear test that is now promised for California.

Race for an Atom Surface Ship

One of the oldest Russian dreams has been regular sea transportation from Archangel to Vladivostok by way of the nearly always ice-blocked Arctic Ocean. According to an article in *Tekhnika Molodezhi*, a leading engineering and scientific journal, that dream will be realized "in the not too distant future." It would be achieved with a ship using a nuclear reactor for propulsion and also for melting the ice in the vessel's path.

The authors of the article, M. Chernov and A. Bogdanov, who have imposing reputations as Soviet marine engineers, say the 25,000-ton craft will have an icebreaker hull and a speed of 25 knots. A mere 172 pounds of uranium, as compared to 150,000 tons of coal, are expected to provide a full year's operation in the Arctic. The steam jets in the bow would cut away the ice in the vessel's path.

All this smacks of Jules Verne, and "the not too distant future" is rather indefinite, but it must be recalled that the Russians have shown amazing progress lately in many scientific fields—particularly the atomic. On the same day that the Russian atomic icebreaker dispatch appeared in America there also appeared news that our Navy is speeding up its atomic-energy research for creation of what is intended to be the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier.

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Good Will Via Mail Order Catalogue

A group of business men in Washington to receive certificates for their services abroad on trade missions reports that it found the American mail order catalogue a powerful weapon for combating Communist propaganda. In Berlin, where many of the visitors were from the Communist controlled sector, the catalogues had to be chained to the tables.

Apparently the listing and illustrating of thousands of items, many in the luxury line and all at low prices, serve to refute Communist propaganda concerning the capitalist economy of the United States. Certainly many a looker must have wondered how it was possible for those downtrodden masses in America to have access to and the means of buying so many items conducive to a comfort unknown or restricted to the high bureaucracy in Soviet Russia.

The old adage of one picture being worth a thousand words must hold true many times over for each such catalogue. If enough of them could be put behind the Iron Curtain the cumulative effect might be of great importance.

New Signal on Assessments

It was just about a year ago that St. Louis County Assessor Deuser was receiving his first warning that the state in 1955 would require an increase in county real estate assessments. Mr. Deuser and other county officials paid no attention, and a good deal of tax chaos ensued.

Now the county officials have received another warning, this one from the County League of Municipalities. They had better pay attention. The League re-emphasizes its desire for a parcel-by-parcel reassessment to take the place of the blanket increase put into effect by the county. It offers help of municipal officials in carrying out the reassessment. It offers aid in making a court test if necessary to validate the hiring of outside experts. It asks the County Council to get things moving without further delay.

County officials would do well to consider this plea a warning, for it expresses the interest not only of municipalities but of thousands of taxpayers. If nothing is done toward initiating a parcel-by-parcel reassessment in 1956, those taxpayers are sure to make their feelings plain at the polls in November.

The blanket increase perpetuated and in some cases compounded the inequities that have grown up in the county's tax structure over the years of its real estate boom. The only way to remove these inequities is by a general, scientific reappraisal that will bring the tax valuation of each property into line with its real value.

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Mr. Dulles, obviously alluding to the propaganda mission of the Soviet leaders to Southeast Asia, said they will



"WOULD YOU SAY YOU BELIEVE IN MODERATION IN RUNNING FOR THE NOMINATION?"

—From The Washington Post.

A Woman Botanist's Busy 94 Years

Miss Alice Eastwood gathered cypress branches from mountain many Christmases for scientist the tree was named for; she put the fuchsia business in order with hands already full; and located an obsolete maize which nearby experts had missed.

Dr. Edgar Anderson, Director of the Missouri Botanical Garden, in the Garden Bulletin

Since the days of Henry Shaw and Dr. George Engelmann the Garden has maintained close contacts with those botanists who discovered and described the flora of our western states.

Miss Alice Eastwood, who died on Oct. 30, 1953, at the age of 94, was one of the last of these, and one of the first.

She was a person of such zest for living, of such force of character, that her little casual everyday actions were significant.

I heard of her first when I was a graduate student at Harvard taking part of my work at the Arnold Arboretum. There were things in the living collections which she wanted pressed for the California Academy Herbarium and getting a few of them together was one of my chores.

It was then I first heard of her Christmas greeting to Prof. Sargent, the Arboretum's first director. Among other things he had been honored by having a west-coast cypress named after him.

Characteristically, Miss Eastwood thought he deserved fresh branches of his own cypress at Christmas time, and yet after a year she sent him a holiday package.

It was not until 20 years later when I went to California that I learned she gathered the branches herself from trees on Mt. Tamalpais.

I first saw her in England in 1930 when she came over to the International Botanical Congress and visited the laboratories where I was working. She was then beginning to look like an old lady, but what an old lady!—like an old frame of figure, charged with vitality.

Her honest, intelligent face shone with kindness. She treated me at once as if I were a favorite nephew and roped me into helping her a bit with fuchsias.

She had promised the Fuchsia Society back in California to do what she could for them in putting into some kind of order the classification and history of the cultivated sorts.

On top of everything else (

Services and Special Events in Churches of the St. Louis Area

Christmas Services of Music Will Be Offered Tomorrow

Midnight Mass Will Be Celebrated in All Catholic Churches of St. Louis Archdiocese Christmas Eve.

By JOHN T. STEWART
Church Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Festival programs of Christmas music will be presented in St. Louis churches tomorrow, on Christmas Eve and Christmas. Children's choirs will sing in many churches, and special programs for children, with gifts, will be held.

The old custom of receiving gifts will be reversed at the Ethical Society, 3648 Washington boulevard, where little children from the nursery and Sunday assembly will bring gifts for children who are patients at the City Hospital and present the gifts to Santa Claus. He will bring an empty bag and fill it with gifts, and the children of the Society will have the happy feeling of giving rather than receiving. This Winter Festival will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

Christmas midnight mass will again be celebrated in all Catholic churches of the St. Louis Archdiocese at midnight on Christmas Eve. Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter will celebrate this mass at St. Louis Cathedral, Lindell boulevard and Newstead avenue.

Choral Services Sunday. Second Presbyterian Church, Westminster place and Taylor avenue, will present a festival of Christmas music at 8 p.m. tomorrow. Two cantatas will be sung at a candlelight service.

Grace Methodist Church, Skinker and Waterman boulevards, will hold an Advent vesper service at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow. Two adult choirs, with more than 25 voices, and a junior choir of 22 voices will sing. The organ will be supported by oboe and flute.

Central Presbyterian Church, Hanley road and Davis drive, Clayton, will have its annual presentation of Maunder's dramatized cantata, "Bethlehem," at 5 p.m.

Other services tomorrow include the following:

Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 850 Goodfellow boulevard, will hold a family service, with miracle plays and carols, at 4:30 p.m. Three short medieval miracle plays will be directed by William Ringler, professor of English at Washington University, assisted by Mrs. Mary Jane Detbel.

At Samuel Evangelical and Reformed Church, 320 North Forsyth boulevard, Clayton, the choir, assisted by guest soloists, will sing the Christmas portions of Handel's "Messiah." Soloists will be Jean Borders, soprano; Marjorie Galloway, contralto;

CHURCH NOTICES.

Westminster

Presbyterian Church
Union and Delmar

9:30 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

"THE SEARCH IN THREE CITIES"

7:30 P.M. Annual Carol Service
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Look Out, Big Ten! Bills Play Buckeyes Here, Bears are at Illinois

Big Crowd Expected At Kiel

By Robert Morrison

Undefeated and ready to strike for higher national reputation, St. Louis University's Billikens will play troublesome Ohio State before a near sell-out crowd at Kiel Auditorium at 8:30.

"We've had good fortune on the road," said Eddie Hickey, coach of the Bills, who have a 4-0 mark, "but it wouldn't mean anything if we lose tonight."

Pushing their way up in the two college basketball ranking lists, the Bills were fourteenth in one and seventeenth in another before they trimmed Indiana. Another victory over a Big Ten team should be a real lift.

Meanwhile highly regarded teams like No. 1 San Francisco, Utah, North Carolina State, Dayton, Cincinnati, Alabama, Duquesne, Brigham Young, Kansas and Marquette are striving this weekend to keep their national positions.

Ohio State, whose 5-11 Robin Freeman got just 24 points in an easy victory over Butler before going on a 40-plus scoring rampage in the next three games, has a 3-1 mark. The only loss was to strong Vanderbilt and the Bills' Hickey was inclined to think Vandy may have taken the Bucks by surprise.

Remember Schnittker?

Over the years Ohio has been difficult for St. Louis, winning five out of six in the series since the 1948-49 season, when Dick Schnittker and Co. surprised a great Billiken team here.

"With greater depth and team strength and more overall height, Ohio State appears to be the best it has been in five or six years, since Schnittker played for the Buckeyes," Hickey said.

Ohio's starting lineup includes two sophomores at forward, Ken Sidis and Frank Howard, each 6-5, and three seniors, the latter center, the 6-3 Don Kelley at center, 6-10 Charley Ellis and Fredman, a lad of considerable promise. A 6-8 junior, Bob Mosier, is another tall one.

Attention to Reserves.

In preparing for this important game, Hickey has concentrated the last few days on improving the play of his reserves. He was in a squeaky spot against Indiana because of the half-time foul situation of Jim McLaughlin and Al Serkin. He wouldn't like that to happen again if he can help it. Joe Uelk, Bill Wynn and Dean Milbennie with spot contributions could be important figures in the Billiken picture as the season rolls along.

The top six in St. Louis' balanced scoring attack looks like this in points per game: Grady Smith 22.5, Joe Todd 18, Harold Alcorn 17.3, Jim McLaughlin 15.3, Jack Milmiz 11 and Al Serkin 10.

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G.O.P. LEADER BRANDS REUTHER 'PUBLIC ENEMY'

Californian Charges 'No. 1 Socialist' Seeks to Hand-Pick Democratic Nominee.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17 (AP) — Representative Edgar W. Hiestand (Rep.), California, charged yesterday that union leader Walter Reuther is a "socialist" who seeks to hand-pick the 1956 Democratic presidential candidate. The accusation followed sharp retort from Reuther's United Auto Workers Union.

"It branded the statement a 'below-the-belt campaign of distortion, vilification and falsehoods.'

Hiestand told a press conference yesterday that Reuther is in his judgment "public enemy No. 1" and he felt the 1956 Democratic candidate must have Reuther's approval to win the nomination.

"Reuther is emphatically against all the basic principles that have made the country what it is," said Hiestand, congressman from California's Twenty-first District.

Hiestand called Reuther the "No. 1 socialist in the United States" and said he had studied Communism in Russia and written a book with his brother, predicting the world would eventually be Communized.

Mad Trip to 1930.

The UAW said Reuther had visited Russia with his brother in the early 1930s but did not study Communism.

"Nor did the Reuther brothers write a book of any kind, let alone as Mr. Hiestand charges, one predicting world Communism," the union statement said and added: "It is obvious from the statements credited to Mr. Hiestand that he has identified himself with the reactionary elements of the Republican party which is attempting to confuse the American people with a below-the-belt campaign of distortion, vilification and falsehoods."

Hiestand said that if Reuther hand picks the Democratic presidential candidate the party will be dominated by what Hiestand termed the socialistic measures that have been the political policy of the newly merged AFL-CIO.

These policies, Hiestand said, include \$500,000,000 worth of public housing and would result in inflated currency, "fiscal irresponsibility," "terrible spending" and higher taxes and national debt.

Hiestand said Reuther's strategy might even include having him nominated for the presidency in 1960.

Stand-in for Eisenhower.

Elsewhere on the political front, Senator John W. Bricker announced he will run in Ohio primaries as a stand-in for President Eisenhower, if the President decides later to seek a second term.

If Mr. Eisenhower doesn't run, Bricker said the Ohio delegation will "meet as often as necessary" to decide whom to support as a candidate.

Bricker said his action was designed to relieve the President of any embarrassment from demands that he make what Bricker called an "unusually" decision on whether to run again. The filing deadline in Ohio is Feb. 8.

In California, Gov. Goodwin J. Knight said at a press conference yesterday that he would welcome Vice President Richard M. Nixon as one of the members of his delegation to the 1956 Republican national convention. Knight says he plans to lead the big California delegation as a "favorite son" candidate if Eisenhower doesn't run again.

The Governor, who has feuded with Nixon supporters over his delegation plans, repeated previous assertions that his delegation candidates could defeat a slate pledged to Nixon if both were entered in the June primary.

Actress's Jewelry Stolen.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP) — A burglar broke into the home of actress Louise Allbritton yesterday and stole jewelry valued at \$5000, including a platinum wedding ring, a pair of diamond clips and two gold bracelets.

Miss Allbritton and her husband, CBS commentator Charles Collingwood, were not home at the time.

Pleads Guilty



—By a Post-Dispatch Photographer.

CHARLES H. PHILLIPS, of Chicago, photographed yesterday at Federal Building here after pleading guilty of transporting and selling narcotics.

United States District Judge George H. Moore deferred sentence until Jan. 11 on the assurance of Phillips, a Negro, that he would cooperate in an investigation of the narcotics traffic here.

TUCKER TO PLEAD FOR FREEHOLDER BILL'S PASSAGE

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passed by the board, the proposed charter amendments would have to be submitted to the voters for their approval.

The committee proposed that thousands of city park, hospital, maintenance and custodial workers be taken "out of the merit system. It also would exempt from civil service a secretary to the director of each city department, and all members of the City Counselor's legal staff.

Classifications Proposed.

The following job classifications would be removed from the merit system under the committee's recommendation:

Elevar operator, laundry worker, watchman, park attendant, laborer, auditorium attendant, hospital attendant, seamstress, linen room attendant, custodial worker, maseur, utility man, laundry washman and window washer.

"Some revision of the charter is definitely needed," the legislative committee reported, but it contended that the changes needed are not so extensive as to warrant complete rewriting of the city's organic law.

"We acknowledge that the changes which are needed are at least too numerous to submit in one package that would be clear and understandable by the voters," the report continued.

Arguing that the present charter has been clarified, the committee asserted, "It should not be discarded for an entirely new document which must be similarly clarified over the years unless a clear-cut necessity for this course of action exists. In the opinion of the committee, such necessity does not exist."

In the committee's opinion, a few charter amendments have a greater chance of passage than a completely new charter.

"In the event the board determines the amendment method of completely rewriting the charter, it is our opinion that changes and additions to those submitted here will be required to complete the necessary job of revision."

The committee believes that the most urgent matter for change is in the area of the organization of the administrative departments of the city, including the salary limitations applicable to the Mayor and his administrative officers.

Pumping Station Fund.

Before adjourning for the holiday recess the board appropriated \$500,000 to continue the rehabilitation of the Chain of Rocks pumping station and \$10,000 to supplement the circuit attorney's fund for investigations.

It passed an ordinance authorizing detention of women prisoners in the city jail instead of the workhouse. The old women's headquarters at the workhouse will be used to alleviate crowding among male prisoners.

A bill was introduced to authorize widening of Jefferson avenue between Olive street and Washington avenue. This and other sections of Jefferson are to be widened with bond issue funds.

U.S. CHARGES ITS CITIZENS IN CHINA SUFFER CRUELTY

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and opposed any effective system for controlling armaments. It reaffirmed its determination to roll back the Russians from German territory by peaceful means and to reunify the country under the West German Federal Republic.

The council also cited "recent provocative moves and declarations by the Soviet Union regarding the Middle East and Asia" and said these tactics coupled with Russia's steadily growing military power, presented "a new challenge to the free world."

The council is composed of the foreign defense and finance ministers of the member countries. The communiqué was drafted by representatives of a former enemy power and a little country once occupied by the Nazis—West Germany and Belgium—and approved promptly and unanimously by the whole council.

Britain to Share Data.

British Defense Minister Cornelius Staf announced Britain will furnish other European NATO countries with information and training on the use of guided missiles, particularly for air raid defense. He said the United States has also agreed to make available information about its new weapons.

Britain, he said, has tentatively promised to furnish the missile weapons themselves at some later stage for use by the member nations.

The ministers endorsed a proposal by Italy's Gaetano Martino for greater co-operation among NATO members in non-military spheres such as economic, social and cultural fields.

Russia Says NATO Seeks to Wreck Geneva Spirit.

LONDON, Dec. 17 (UPI) — Russia charged today that the West called the current NATO conference to destroy the Geneva spirit.

The Communist party newspaper Pravda and Izvestia, the official government organ, blasted the West in editorials broadcast by radio Moscow.

"The U.S. and its allies in the North Atlantic bloc stubbornly refuse to accept concrete measures for reducing armaments and armed forces, preferring to hold endless and fruitless discussions on this subject," Pravda said.

Izvestia charged the West had refused to approach the Geneva spirit "with a view to reaching an agreed solution to international problems."

"Events of the past few months should have led some people in the west to bury the outlived notions of the cold war period," the government newspaper said.

BROTHER JOHN E. MESSNER DIES; M'BRIDE TEACHER DIES.

Brother John E. Messner, S.M., a faculty member at McBride High School and a teacher for about 40 years, died of a heart ailment last night at the school where he lived. He was 63 years old.

Brother Messner, a native of Chicago, had taught at several schools here. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 5017 Northland avenue. The mass will be said by his nephew, Father Peter Sattler. Burial will be in Maryhurst Normal Cemetery. Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Anne Sattler of Chicago.

FUNERAL TO BE MONDAY FOR PETER J. BLEITZ

Funeral services for Peter J. Bleitz, a teacher of Asphalt Materials Co., Lemay, will be at 9 a.m. Monday at Seven Holy Founders Church, 6741 Rock Hill road. Burial will be in Lakewood Park Cemetery.

The two who got their appeals through were identified as John Downey of New Britain, Conn., and Dr. Homer V. Bradshaw of New York City. So far the Reds have not let them go.

10 FINED TOTAL OF \$5000 ON ROOMING HOUSE CHARGES

Ten persons have been fined a total of \$5000 in police court after they pleaded guilty of operating rooming houses in the 3400 and 3500 blocks of Halliday avenue, which are zoned for two-family residences.

The fines have been stayed, however, contingent on the defendants complying with zoning ordinances by Feb. 8. Maximum fines of \$250 were imposed on each charge. There were from two to four charges against each defendant.

Nine of the 10 persons pleaded guilty in police court. The tenth appealed his case to the court of criminal correction, but then pleaded guilty there. Charges against an eleventh defendant are pending in police court. Several residents of the area have been fined on similar charges previously.

Survivors include his wife, a stepdaughter, Mrs. Frances Mueller of St. Louis, and three sisters.

MAN DIES OF BURNS AFTER HE IS FOUND SMOKING IN BED

Oscar Poorer, 1021A Park avenue, died today at City Hospital of burns suffered last Saturday when smoking in bed.

Poore was told that Poorer, 38 years old, had been drinking, and accidentally set fire to his bed. Eighty per cent of his body was burned before a neighbor dragged him out of the room.

EDEN'S FEVER STILL UP

LONDON, Dec. 17 (UPI) — Prime Minister Eden was confined to his room with a cold for the fourth straight day today, it was announced.

A report from the Prime Minister's 10 Downing street residence said Eden's fever "has not yet completely subsided."

Flashes of Life

Budget Balancer.

COLWATER, Mich. (AP) — The following advertisement appears in the want ad section of Coldwater Advertiser, a weekly newspaper: "An attractive gal who gets paid on Friday and is broke on Tuesday wishes to meet man who gets paid on Tuesdays and is broke by Friday."

Pop-Up.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Two men cleaned out the cash while a waitress cleaned the floor of the Pine Knob Grill.

Miss Pauline Courtney said she was mopping the floor when a youth with a pistol entered and told her, "just keep on mopping." Then, she said, another youth entered and scooped up about \$49 from the cash register and a cigar box.

Barre.

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y. (AP) — "Lady Godiva" and the "Naked Dawn" have been shown together at a theater here.

Formosan, Viet Nam Accord.

TAIPEI, Formosa, Dec. 17 (AP) — The Foreign Office announced yesterday that Nationalist China and South Viet Nam had agreed to establish diplomatic relations. A legation will be established at Saigon. Tsiang Tsing-kuo will be chargé d'affaires until a minister is appointed.

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CHARGES ITS SUPPORT OF ATOM POOL IN EUROPE

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and reaffirmed its determination to roll back the Russians from German territory by peaceful means and to reunify the country under the West German Federal Republic.

The council also cited "recent provocative moves and declarations by the Soviet Union regarding the Middle East and Asia" and said these tactics coupled with Russia's steadily growing military power, presented "a new challenge to the free world."

State Department Preparing 'White Paper' on Inhuman Treatment by Reds.

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP) —

The State Department is compiling a "white paper" of cruel and inhuman treatment which it says Americans held in Communist China are suffering at the hands of the Chinese Reds.

Officials reported this as the State Department last night disclosed that United States Ambassador A. Alexis Johnson has protested to Red Chinese envoy Wang Ping-nan at Geneva against such treatment of Americans.

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ICY VISTA AT ALTON DAM

A short winter thus far but a hard one, as evidenced by ice building up behind lock and dam No. 26 at Alton. View is upstream, with chunks of ice covering surface of the river and thick sheet ice forming in foreground. Heavy flow of ice and low stage of the Mississippi river have slowed, but not yet halted, river traffic.

—By a Post-Dispatch Photographer.



JADED TRAVELER

Wearied by her travels, Barbara Toraz pays as little attention as possible to photographers who greeted her on arrival of the Navy transport General Langfitt at New York yesterday. Nine-month-old Barbara and her parents, from Yugoslavia, are bound for a new home in Buffalo, N. Y. They were among the 1195 persons on the Langfitt who are settling in this country under the Refugee Relief Act.

—United Press Telephoto.



FRENCH NAVAL MANEUVER

Looking much unlike herself but still a figure of glamour, actress Jane Russell is center of skirmish as French sailor seeks to cut in on dancing colleague. Action occurred at Honolulu where Miss Russell, normally a brunette, is making a movie and ships of the French Navy are visiting.

—Associated Press Wirephoto



PARKING TROUBLE

Automobile which was "innocent victim" in multiple accident is crushed against pole after bus went out of control at East Meadow, N. Y., yesterday. Bus careered into a second machine after colliding with a moving automobile and wound up by jamming a parked vehicle into the pole. Smashed machine was unoccupied but four persons were injured in the other crashes.

—Associated Press Wirephoto



TRAFFIC TANGLE AT ROAD CEREMONY

Highway designed to cut traffic troubles is scene of classic tangle in course of ceremony in which new section of the New York State Thruway was opened Thursday. Twenty-eight-mile stretch of the toll road, including \$60,000,000 bridge linking Tarrytown and Nyack on the other side of the Hudson river, was opened. Only a three-mile section close to New York City remains to be finished on the 425-mile, six-lane highway between New York City and Buffalo.

—Associated Press Wirephoto

HUSBAND OF QUEEN'S COUSIN FOUND DEAD

Inquest Set in Shooting Death of John Michael Blair.

CASTLEBLAYNEY, Ireland, Dec. 17 (AP)—A coroner's inquest was called today in the death of a husband of one of Queen Elizabeth II's cousins.

John Michael Blair, 30-year-old country squire and widely known huntsman, was found shot to death yesterday at Lough Bawn, a lonely Irish estate near the border of Northern Ireland. A shotgun was beside the body.

Blair was an overnight guest at the home of Mrs. Ruth Tennyson, whose husband, Maj. Tennyson, owns the estate.

Blair's wife, Lady Nancy Blair, 37, is the daughter of Queen Mother Elizabeth's eldest brother, the Earl of Strathmore.

Twice-married Lady Nancy, a close friend of Princess Margaret, was found unconscious in a sleeping car on an English train last month. Taken to a hospital she was reported suffering from an overdose of drugs. She was not at the Tennyson's or her London home last night, and friends said they had not seen her for two or three weeks.

Blair had been living recently at his own estate in neighboring County Meath. He and Lady Nancy, a lady-in-waiting to the queen, were married last year. She previously was married to Lance Robinson, a South African.

900 CHILDREN GET FIRST POLIO SHOTS THIS WEEK

More than 900 children registered at the city's five health centers received their first Salk polio vaccine shots this week. A total of 13,800 have received the shots during the current program which started two weeks ago.

Dr. J. Earl Smith, Health Commissioner, said that about 19,000 children were eligible to receive the free inoculations. The program was originally scheduled to last for a week, but was extended for an additional week when only 4500 children showed up.

Mario G. Ramirez Dies.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (UP)—Mario G. Ramirez, permanent secretary of the Guatemala delegation to the United Nations, was found dead yesterday in his apartment. He was 62 years old. Acquaintances said he had suffered from a chronic heart condition. Death was believed to be from natural causes.

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Under Arrest



KILLER OF PARENTS, PROMISES 'WHOLE STORY' IN 2 KILLINGS

Man Who Escaped From Texas Mental Hospital Arrested in Syracuse.

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Dec. 17 (AP)—A brilliant one-time Texan college student who killed his parents in 1935 and escaped twice from a mental institution was in custody again today.

Howard Morris Pierson, 41 years old, surrendered quietly yesterday. He was arrested as he visited a psychiatrist. Pierson had been at large for three years this time.

His father, William Pierson, was an associate justice of the Texas Supreme Court. Howard, 20 and a student at the University of Texas at the time, took his parents to a lonely road and shot them.

Syracuse Detective Francis Garn said an attorney tipped Texas authorities after Pierson had gone to him and told his life story. Garn advised Pierson to consult the psychiatrist.

An intensive search was being made in the St. Louis area today for Robert J. Schibline, who left a Hotel Statler room yesterday just before police closed in on his companion, Roy Norman Kuehl, both accused of a \$473.50 Wisconsin bank robbery.

Schibline, whose home is in Fond du Lac, Wis., had taken a room with Kuehl at the hotel Thursday night but could not be found when Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and a St. Louis policeman arrested Kuehl.

At the time of the killing, Sheriff Lee Allen said Pierson told him he killed his parents to get his father's \$17,000 insurance. But Pierson, himself, told reporters his motive was revenge because his father opposed his desire to be a scientist.

Circumstances of the murders have not been revealed by Young, who admitted throwing the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Smith in separate wells after shooting them in their home Dec. 4. A bedspread and several small rugs missing from the home have not been found, and neither has Young's bloody clothing.

A preliminary hearing for the accused man, scheduled for yesterday, was postponed a week.

SCHOOL IS ROBBED OF \$200

Entrance to the principal's office at St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran School, 5403 Wren avenue, was forced yesterday by burglars, who broke into a filing cabinet and stole \$200.

The theft was reported to police by the Rev. Edwin J. Fritze, pastor of St. Matthew's Church.

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Special to the Post-Dispatch.

MAN FOUND DEAD IN CREEK FELL OFF TRAIN, POLICE SAY

BIG SANDY, Tenn., Dec. 17 (AP)—Authorities said today that a Negro man found dead in a creek fell from a moving train.

The body of Robert L. Taylor, 31 years old, was found face down in a creek bed near there Thursday. Residents near the railroad tracks heard a man shouting for help before the body was found.

The body of Taylor, who had been living in Mansfield, O., for the last few years, had more than \$200 on it. Relatives said he had about \$1100 when he left there.

"He definitely fell from the train, there was no question about that," Sheriff Lebert Hollingsworth said at Camden. Hollingsworth said he has not figured out just how Taylor fell but "he definitely got off while the train was moving."

JETS STREAK OVER SITE OF FIRST AIRPLANE FLIGHT

KILL DEVIL HILL, N.C., Dec. 17 (AP)—A flight of jets streaked across the sky over Kill Devil Hill today in tribute to man's first successful flight behind a row of houses.

FBI Agent Charles E. Weeks said Williams at first told officers he had opened the package only out of curiosity, but later admitted that he wrote the extortion note to Knight, publisher of the Miami Herald, the Chicago Daily News, the Detroit Free Press and the Akron Beacon-Journal. Extortion charges will be filed against Williams, Weeks said.

MRS. FULTON OURSLER DIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Mrs. Fulton Ourslur, widow of the author and editor, died yesterday. She was 55 years old. She broke her hip five weeks ago and death resulted from complications stemming from that injury.

An author in her own right, Mrs. Ourslur, the former Grace Perkins of Boston, wrote books and movie plays. She used her married name, her maiden name, and sometimes other pen names in writing. She was editor of Guideposts magazine. Her husband died in 1952.

Cuba Honors O'Hara.

HAVANA, Dec. 17 (AP)—President Fulgencio Batista awarded Cuba's Order of Merit, second class, yesterday to Representative Barrat O'Hara (Dem.), Illinois. The 73-year-old legislator is making his first visit to Cuba since he fought here in the Spanish-American war.

NBC Signs Martin, Lewis, HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 17 (AP)—The National Broadcasting Co. announced yesterday it has signed comedians Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis to a new five-year contract. Terms were not revealed.

COLUSA, Calif., Dec. 17 (AP)—Chief Justice Earl Warren and two friends bagged 20 ducks and 10 geese near here yesterday in the former California Governor's first day of shooting on his winter holiday.

Warren said he plans to hunt Sunday, then go to Los Angeles for his daughter's wedding and the Christmas holiday.

He expects to return to the northern California area for more hunting between Christmas and the first of the year.

Pauline O'Hara.

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Martha Carr's OPINION

REG U.S. PAT OFF
Today's column is devoted to teen-agers who are invited to submit their problems to Martha Carr.

Dear Martha:
I AM 13 years old and want to know what's so wrong about liking boys? My parents act as though I shouldn't even notice them until I'm gray and aging. I can kid with my mother about them, but if I act like I like them, she pounces on me. Maybe I sound boy-crazy, but really, Martha, don't most girls notice boys? CONFUSED.



Of course, they do. Your parents just don't want you to act silly about boys—and a lot of teen-agers do, you must admit. Many parents want their daughters to wait until they are older than you are to start dating, and frankly, it's a little hard for them to realize that you are too.

their little girls are no longer in kindergarten and within a few years will be young women, thinking about marriage. But respect their wishes and be careful not to act boy-crazy. You have a long time to date and enjoy the friendship of many boys before you get serious about one in particular.

Dear Martha:
WE ARE TWO CONFUSED BOYS. We have a problem. You may think this is a silly letter written by two 14-year-olds, but it isn't. We like these two certain girls, and it appears that they like us, but we are both shy and do not know how to let them know that we like them. Can you please help us?

F.K. and L.C.

It isn't silly at all. Lots of 14-year-old boys have an awful time getting up enough courage to ask a girl out. But it really isn't so tough. If your folks say it's okay to date, why don't the two of you go together to each girl (it's easier when you're together) and invite them to the show or maybe over to your house to listen to records or just sit around and talk? I have an idea they're just waiting for some sign that you like them.

Dear Martha:
THESE IS A CERTAIN GIRL in our room who is always flirting with boys. Whenever she sees somebody even talking to a boy, she calls that girl a flirt. Do you think there is some way we could tell her that she is always flirting with boys and not just by talking to them?

BER.

You mean she criticizes others for doing the same thing she does herself? Well, be careful not to confuse a friendly manner with flirtation, but if she embarrasses you by her actions, you can certainly tell her what you think. On the other hand, if she isn't a particular friend, why bother? No use hurting her feelings and stirring up a classroom feud if you can just as well ignore what she's doing and make sure you behave as you think girls should.

Entertain the gang with a Christmas party. Martha Carr's free leaflet will suggest games, refreshments and decorations. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request.

'Butting In'

By Dr. Paul Popencoe

WHEN you see the marriage of a near and dear couple going a-round for some foolish reason and you feel that just a little common sense could save them, how far can you go in an effort to avert the tragedy? You don't want to be accused of butting in, but you should do something.

Mrs. D. doesn't want to make a mistake in the case that confronts her.

ONE of my neighbors, a close friend," she writes, "has brought suit for divorce. She ordered her husband out of the house and has done a lot of unnecessary talking about how much she was abused. None of it is convincing—not even to herself, Dr. Popencoe, and she would give almost anything to be able to back down and take him home again. But she doesn't want to lose face, so I'm afraid she will go through with the divorce. She's that stubborn."

"You'll say she ought to have a marriage counselor—but I'm sure there is none within 100 miles of our small town. I believe if I went to her husband, told him his wife would make up if he came to her and asked forgiveness, I could save this marriage. They haven't any real reason for breaking up. The question is, should I butt into other people's business this way?"

THERE are many good marriage counselors who are not professionals, Mrs. D. A clergyman, brother, business associate, or anyone else whom the people respect, can often do such a job as this.

So can you, if the circumstances are such as you describe. Don't delay another minute. It's a fact that thousands of divorces are granted each year to people who don't want them and would give almost anything to get away, when they are before the divorce court. They started suit because of childish hurt feelings, or in a temper tantrum, or as a threat, or to make themselves feel important. They need some one to help them climb back from the end of the limb before it drops onto the hard ground of a broken home.

Go to the man at once, tell him the whole story, and help him get his wife back. Then—and this is absolutely essential—help them both to understand themselves and marriage better, so the same thing won't happen again. I'll be glad to help in any way I can at this distance, by sending material that bears on their special problem—or if they will write me.

Social Problems

By Emily Post

A LETTER explains: "During the Thanksgiving holiday we had as our house guests two of my daughter's girl friends from boarding school. After they returned home I received a bread and butter letter along with a present from them. I did not acknowledge this gift as it seemed superfluous to me to say 'thank you' for 'thank you.' However, I was very much embarrassed when my daughter received a note from one of the girls asking her if I had received the present. My daughter thinks I was remiss in not immediately writing a thank-you note to the girls. Since the gift in itself was a thank you to me for hospitality shown them, was a note necessary? I would very much like to have your opinion."

Very definitely a thank-you note should have been written. One must always say thank you for a present received.

Secrets of Charm

Time to Coddle Your Skin

SKIN that is dry, suffering from winter's toll of steam heat and blustering winds, deserves coddling; and you can't start too soon.

Dry skin needs replenishment of the oils that not only weather but time and washings take away each day. Even colds dry out the skin, and it's wise to oil it lavishly if you've had one recently or are in the throes of one now.

NONE of the preparations need be expensive. One of the finest beauty preparations—a potent emollient oil which parched skin seems to fairly "drink up"—is simply bottled and not very costly. Amber-colored, with a faint perfume fragrance, it leaves the skin soft and smooth after the first treatment. Women like the way it makes the skin appear to be moist . . . sort of dewy looking. They also like it because it is neither too thin nor too heavy . . . it spreads on just right.

Besides this complexion oil, you'll need a body oil. This helps to achieve a soft surface after the bath when you rub it on . . . for a soothing agent for children's chapping skin, or those who find the skin dry and itchy when they wear wool. It's good for the small fry as a preventive for future skin trouble and exposure to the cold.

OIL HELPS KEEP a soft



WITH METHODICAL ATTENTION TO HER SKIN, THE WOMAN CAN BECOME A BEAUTY TO BE ADMIRE.

surface after shaving the legs. Others find it a great help if used before pulling on a girdle . . . giving sort of a slip to the skin.

Also, try putting a few drops of nice bath oil in your tub each evening . . . that, too, gives back some of the oils that have been taken away during the day.

Whether you want to gain, lose or remain the same—"Your

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North-South vulnerable.

Contract Bridge

By Ely Culbertson

NO BRIDGE player can ever hope to become expert on defense if he is afraid of "going to sleep with an ace." Surely, it is better to lose an ace than to give the declarer a smooth road to his contract. Fortunately for himself and partner, East in the deal below was gifted with imagination.

South, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

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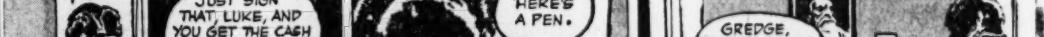
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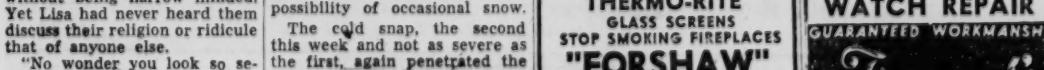
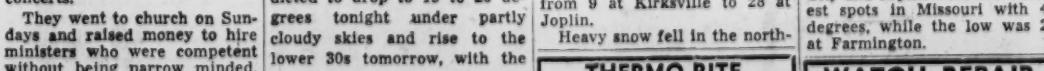
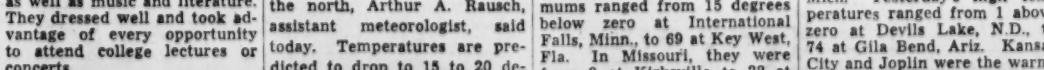
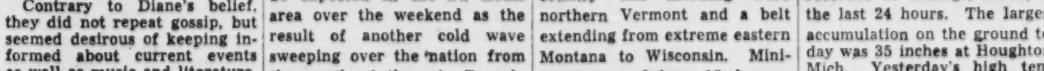
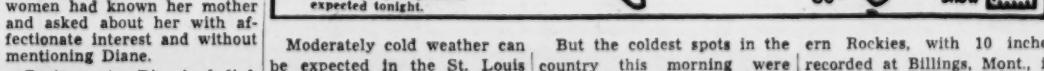
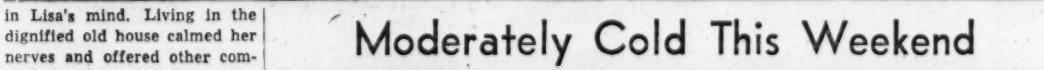
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to her. But none of our squabbles lasted overnight.

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"Now that you mention it, I do remember something about a pony so she must have told me about it before we moved to California. What a shame your home burned, Aunt Elizabeth. It must have been a lovely place."

"It was a wonderful life we led. Full of fun and games of all kinds. Children were more disciplined than they are now. I think we were happier. Maybe because life always seems that way when you try to look back."

Although she never pried into Marna's life in California, Mrs. Curtis managed to include her in every memory until unconsciously, Lisa's image of her mother as a brisk, efficient business woman was replaced by one of a girl, gentle, sensitive, proud, devoted to her home and husband, overjoyed when she admired Elizabeth and obeyed her directions without resentment. She was nice to Lisa, too, and asked about her mother, saying, "I worked for her when she was first married, before you was born."

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"We know each other so well we'd be upset all the time if we talked about our difficulties. It just isn't done."

Nevertheless the constant references to her mother began to erode the more recent picture.

Then there was Lila, my white pony. Surely your mother told you about Lila and the little cart. We would drive up and down Main street like royalty unless we disagreed about something, then, I'm ashamed to say, I made Marna get out. I can see her yet stalking up the hill, refusing to return no matter how many times I called

in Lisa's mind. Living in the dignified old house calmed her nerves and offered other compensations.

"Under Elizabeth's expert instruction she was learning to cook and keep house, although the heavy cleaning was done by the same old woman who worked for Lisa's stepmother, Mrs. Weston's attitude toward Mrs. Curtis was very different than it had been toward Diane. Like everyone else, apparently, the cleaning woman admired Elizabeth and obeyed her directions without resentment. She was nice to Lisa, too, and asked about her mother, saying, "I worked for her when she was first married, before you was born."

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Two days after this conversation, Peggy persuaded Lisa to accompany her to Kansas City.

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